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The House met at 10 a.m.

Deacon Bob Little, St. Helena Catholic Church, St. Helena, California, offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the beginning of this new day. Be fully with us today. Open our eyes that we might see goodness in what we do here in this room. Open our ears that we may hear the will of all Your people. Open our hearts that we might be compassionate in all that we do. Share with us Your wisdom, O Lord, that we may know the right decisions to make. Share with us Your strength, O Lord, that we might resist that which draws us away from good and fair judgment.

We humbly ask You to strengthen our courage and resolve to stand up for those issues we know to be just. We ask You, Father, to protect and watch over those who are today in harm's way that we might continue to do our work. Console the families of those heroes, domestic and abroad, who sacrifice their very lives that we might be free. For that freedom and Your love we are truly grateful.

Thank You, Father, for the gift of responsibility that You give to each of us as leaders of this great Nation.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. GUTIERREZ) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. GUTIERREZ led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### GOVERNOR PERDUE OF GEORGIA PRAYS FOR RAIN

(Mr. BLUMENAUER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BLUMENAUER. This morning, the Washington Times has a story about the Governor of Georgia, Sonny Perdue, praying for rain. The Governor said, and I quote, "It's time to appeal to Him who can and will make a difference."

I find that ironic, coming from the Governor of the State of Georgia, a State that has no realistic plan about how it's going to use its water resources, has no understanding of what

the demands are for the work that they have in place right now.

The good Lord might say, Sonny, why did you have a huge artificial snow mountain so people can ski in Georgia in the middle of the summer in the middle of a drought?

"I believe in miracles," one minister said. Perhaps that would be one solution.

But maybe it's time for people to respect and carefully use what God has given them. The good Lord does help those who help themselves.

### SECURITY AT O'HARE AIRPORT

(Mr. ROSKAM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ROSKAM. Madam Speaker, I rise this morning to address a new development surrounding our Nation's airports. I represent Illinois' Sixth Congressional District, which is the home of Chicago O'Hare International Airport. O'Hare is the world's second busiest airport, and a week ago agents from the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Unit, a division of Homeland Security known as ICE, as well as Cook County sheriffs deputies, raided warehouses and secured areas at O'Hare, arresting over 27 alleged illegal aliens who had received fraudulent identification badges from a local employment agency. These illegal individuals had access to the tarmac, to cargo, as well as other secure areas putting them in direct contact with aircraft.

That is why I am an original cosponsor of legislation introduced by my friend and colleague, Mr. KIRK from Illinois.

It gives authority for any airport Federal security director to designate airport areas that he or she certifies as a critical area for transportation security as a special security zone. Once an

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